September 21, 1956

Historical Society of Pennsylvania
1300 Locust Street
Philadelphia 7, Pennsylvania

Gentlemen:

I am writing a book on the history of the early copper coinage of America and have found an entry in the Colonial Records of Pennsylvania, a copy of which is enclosed.

You have been kind enough to cooperate with me in the past and I would appreciate your suggestion as to the following matter.

It is very important for me to find the court file of the conviction of Mr. Samuel Clindal (or Clindell), or to find the petition which Samuel Clindal filed with the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania. Either one of those would give me the detail as to these counterfeiting activities and would also give me the law under which he was convicted.

I have carefully checked the laws of Pennsylvania and, although counterfeiting of gold and silver is clearly set forth, I cannot locate a law with respect to copper coinage. It is entirely possible that this law could have been passed in 1781 or 1782 and repealed a year or so later. If you could tell me, or inquire where I could get the foregoing information, I would be very grateful.

Incidentally, this is the only counterfeiting of copper coins in America of which I have documentary evidence and this matter has never been brought to light in any numismatic literature.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF PENNSYLVANIA
1300 LOCUST STREET
PHILADELPHIA 7

September 25, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

In regard to the conviction of Samuel Clindal (or Clindell), we suggest that you communicate with Charles Hughes, City Archivist, City Hall, Philadelphia. We feel confident that he will be able to advise you as to whether there are any records of the trial.

We, also, suggest that you communicate with Mr. Kenneth Scott, Wagner College, Grymes Hill, Staten Island, New York. Mr. Scott has written a number of articles on counterfeiting in colonial times, as well as a book that appeared recently. It is possible that he has met your friend, Mr. Clindal.

Very sincerely yours,

R N Williams 2d

R. N. Williams, 2nd
Director

RNW:elb

September 27, 1956

Mr.R. N.Williams, 2nd
The Historical Society of Pennsylvania
1300 Locust Street
Philadelphia 7, Pa.

Dear Mr. Williams:

Thank you, very much, for your suggestion to contact Mr. Charles Hughes in connection with the counterfeiting of copper halfpence in Philadelphia. I have done so and hope that will be productive.

Kenneth Scott and I are very close friends and have been interchanging information on counterfeiting for years. This is an entirely new matter I am investigating so he will not have this particular counterfeiter as one of his "friends".

Thank you for helping me.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

September 27, 1956

Mr. Charles Hughes, City Archivist
City Hall
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Mr. Hughes:

The Historical Society of Pennsylvania have suggested that I write you concerning some information I require in connection with a book I am writing on the early copper currency of America.

I am enclosing an extract from the Colonial Records of Pennsylvania showing that Samuel Clindal (also spelled Clindell) was convicted of counterfeiting British copper halfpence. No doubt this was in Philadelphia and you will note that he petitioned the Supreme Executive Council to remit the fine to the state on or about March 29, 1784.

I would like to find a copy of his petition and I would also like to find the record of the criminal case in which he was convicted. Would it be possible for you to determine for me whether either of these items are in existence and, if so, how I might order a photostat or copy thereof.

I will greatly appreciate your cooperation in this regard and hope that you can locate these items for me.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

CITY OF Philadelphia

DEPARTMENT OF RECORDS
156 CITY HALL, PHILADELPHIA 7, PA.

CHARLES A. BAKER
COMMISSIONER

October 2, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores Inc.
400 Washington Ave.
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

Mr. Hughes, the City Archivist of Philadelphia, referred your request for information to me. As you are probably aware of, criminal cases were handled in the Quarter Sessions Court. This was a State Court system with sub-divisions in each county. I checked in detail the dockets of the Quarter Sessions Court of Philadelphia County for the years 1779-1784 and there was no mention anywhere of a Samuel Clindal or Clindell or any name resembling that.

There are no further suggestions I can make as to ways in which we, here in Philadelphia, can help you without further information from you. I might add that several City courts which might have handled this type of action were not created until a date later than the one in which you are interested.

If there is any way which you feel we can be helpful, do not hesitate to communicate with us and we will be very happy to do anything we can.

Sincerely yours,

Allen Weinberg

Allen Weinberg,
Archival Examiner

AW/np

October 5, 1956

State Library of Pennsylvania
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith an excerpt from the published Pennsylvania Archives involving Samuel Clindal (also spelled Clindell), who was convicted of counterfeiting British halfpence.

I presume that you have the original records of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania and I would like, very much, to obtain a copy of the petition which Samuel Clindal filed before that body in this matter. The petition will give me the information I am seeking.

I am writing a book on the subject of copper currency used in early America and it is very important for me to find out the facts concerning Mr. Clindal's devilment.

I will be very grateful for your cooperation if you can find the petition in question.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

October 8, 1956

Mr. Leon Meltzer
1349 Lindsey Lane
Meadowbrook, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Meltzer:

In connection with some historical research I am doing I have a problem which intrigues me and when I was discussing it at home my daughter suggested your name. Since our daughters seem to get along so well I am following her suggestion. Even though my daughter assured me that you were a nice gentleman and would gladly do this favor for me, I want you to feel perfectly free not to do anything about it if you feel so inclined.

I am enclosing an excerpt from a published record of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania showing that Samuel Clindal (Clindell) was convicted of counterfeiting British halfpence some time before March 29, 1784 and his fine was remitted. This is the only conviction I have ever heard of of the counterfeiting of copper money in America prior to the opening of the United States Mint.

I am extremely anxious to obtain the details of this case. It would have been tried in the Quarter Sessions Court of some county in Pennsylvania but to date all I know is that it is not Philadelphia county.

I am unable to find any law which was violated by counterfeiting British halfpence but it is possible that a law might have been passed in the early 1780's and repealed before the next revision. I have written to the State Archivist, in Harrisburg, to see if they could locate the petition which Mr. Clindal filed with the Council as that should state the court in which the trial occurred and should indicate the law which was violated. If that can be located then I may be able to get copies of the court file and current newspapers, etc. If it cannot be obtained I may write to York, Lancaster, Berks, Chester or one of the other counties to see whether the case is in their Quarter Sessions Court. Have you any suggestions as to how I can locate this material?

Linda is enthusiastically looking forward to the reunion, in Philadelphia, and I can assure you that the sample of bedlam which you will have will entitle you to an award for "beyond the call of duty". It will be fun, however, for you to have such a peppy group in action.

Sincerely yours,

KPM/atb

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
DIVISION OF PUBLIC RECORDS
ROOM 222, EDUCATIONAL BUILDING
HARRISBURG

October 17, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Secretary
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

This is in answer to your letter of 5 October 1956, regarding Samuel Cryndal (Clindal and Clindell). The text of his indictment for counterfeiting foreign coin is missing, but it appears that he and one William Trickett were involved in the same charge, and we have two rather circumstantial petitions from each of them (October 1783 and March 1784). If you desire photostats of these, your check or money order for $6.50, payable to the State Treasurer of Pennsylvania, should be sent to us along with your order. A delay of a week or two must be expected, as we have this work done at the convenience of an outside agency.

Sincerely,

Henry Howard Eddy

Henry Howard Eddy
State Records Officer

Y/s-g

October 19, 1956

Mr. Henry Howard Eddy
State Records Officer
Division of Public Records
Room 222, Educational Building
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Eddy:

I wish to thank you for having located the petitions filed before the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania involving Samuel Cryndal (Clindal and Clindell).

I assume that the photostats that you can prepare would be negatives only but if the price is for a positive and a negative please order only the negative.

In the meantime, if you would tell me, from the petitions, what county these gentlemen were arrested in I could write for the records of the Quarter Sessions Court in which they apparently would have been tried and, no doubt, the indictment would be there. At present I do not know to which county to write.

I will be very appreciative of your cooperation and hope that I will be able to locate the indictment and any newspaper publicity when you give me the information as to the county in which this matter took place.

My check is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

October 31, 1956

Mr. Allen Weinberg, Archival Examiner
Department of Records
156 City Hall
Philadelphia 7, Pa.

Dear Mr. Weinberg:

On October 2, 1956, you wrote me in answer to an inquiry with reference to a criminal case concerning counterfeiting in Pennsylvania involving a Samuel Clindal. I have just received a communication from the State Records, in Harrisburg, that the spelling of the name of the defendant was in error in the published Pennsylvania Archives. The correct name of the man is Samuel Cryndal. The records show that he was tried with William Trickett and was held in the New City Jail in Philadelphia. It is indicated in one of the petitions for release from jail that the case was tried in the "Supreem" Court. On March 5, 1784 Trickett had been in jail for upwards of six months. On March 25, 1784, Cryndal indicated he had been in jail for over seven months so that, apparently, the trial took place in 1783.

You indicated that this case would probably be tried in the Quarters Sessions Court.

I would now very much appreciate it if you will see whether you can locate the case in question so that I might determine some further details with respect to the matter, such as the date of the trial, any newspaper publicity, as well as obtaining information from the court records.

I am very grateful to you for your willingness to be helpful in untangling this problem and I only wish there was a sample of his counterfeiting which might be in the court file. As I previously indicated, I cannot even find the law which was violated.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

EPW/atb

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
DIVISION OF PUBLIC RECORDS
ROOM 222, EDUCATIONAL BUILDING
HARRISBURG

31 October 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Ave.
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

By a happy accident we have just located a certificate of conviction of Cryndal and Trickett which recites as much information as is usually found in indictments. If you desire negative photostats, send your check for $1.75, payable to the State Treasurer of Pennsylvania, reasonably soon, as we are reserving the item for your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Howard Eddy
State Records Officer

HHE:db

November 2, 1956

Mr. Henry H. Eddy
State Records Officer
Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission
222 Educational Building
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Eddy:

I am very pleased that you have located the certificate of conviction of Messrs. Cryndal and Trickett and I am enclosing my check for $1.75 to cover the cost of a photostat.

Your cooperation is most appreciated and I will now be able to find the court files once I have this certificate of conviction.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

CITY OF Philadelphia

DEPARTMENT OF RECORDS
156 CITY HALL, PHILADELPHIA 7, PA.

CHARLES A. BAKER
COMMISSIONER

November 2, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores Inc.
400 Washington Ave.
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Mr. Newman:

In response to your letter of October 31, 1956, I rechecked our Quarter Sessions Court records for the period you mentioned. I found no mention of either Trickett or Cryndal. As I indicated in my previous letter, I also looked for any names which bore any resemblance to these.

From the information you give us, it seems that the case apparently was tried in the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. We have no jurisdiction over these records, but did look into the matter and you may get more information by addressing your request to:

Prothonotary
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
Room 454 City Hall
Philadelphia, Pa.

They have dockets going back to the period in which you are interested. There is another source which may be helpful. These are the Pennsylvania Reports by Alexander Dallas. These are reports of the cases of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in the early period. They also contain United States Supreme Court reports. These are available in any good Law Library.

Thank you for your letter and I hope this information may prove to be of use to you.

Sincerely yours,

Allen Weinberg

Allen Weinberg,
Archival Examiner

AW/np

November 9,1956

Prothonotary
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
454 City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Sir:

In doing some historical research I would like to know if the files of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania contain any papers in connection with the case of The Commonwealth vs. Samuel Cryndal and The Commonwealth vs. William Trickett. These cases involve the counterfeiting of British copper coin. They were apparently tried near the middle of 1783. They are not among the cases in the Alexander Dallas reports of early Pennsylvania cases, probably, because there was no opinion issued.

Would it be possible for you to see whether there is any file in either of these matters as I am very anxious to obtain the date of the trial, the law violated, and any information concerning the coins which were counterfeited.

Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

Eastern District

CHARLES H. McKIBBEN
PROTHONOTARY

MAY C. REESE
DEPUTY PROTHONOTARY

PHILADELPHIA 7 November 15, 1956.

Eric P. Newman, Esq.,
400 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2,
Missouri.

Dear Mr. Newman:-

Pursuant to the request contained in your letter of November 9, 1956, I searched the Supreme Court records for the cases about which you inquired.

The docket discloses that, at a Court of Oyer & Terminer and General Gaol Delivery held in Philadelphia on September 23, 1783, the case of Respublica vs. William Trickett and Samuel Crindall, was called for trial before Honorable Thomas McKean, Esq., Chief Justice and Honorable George Bryan, Esq., Fourth Justice. The defendants having been indicted for misdemeanor [not further specified] plead non vult etc., de hoc pose etc., similiter etc. The jury rendered a verdict of severally guilty of the misdemeanor charged. The judgment entered was that defendants stand in and on the pillory next Wednesday between the hours of ten and twelve in the forenoon for one hour and severally pay a fine ten pounds and be imprisoned for three months, pay costs.

There is no file in this office covering this case.

Hoping the above information may prove useful, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Charles H. McKibben

PROTHONOTARY

CHMcK:dmk

November 16, 1956

Prothonotary
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
454 City Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Sir:

I wrote you a few days ago with respect to whether you could locate the file of The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania v. William Trickett and Samuel Cryndal (Clindal, Clindell) and I wish to advise you that I have found a certified copy of the judgment which indicates that the trial took place on September 23, 1783. I hope this will help you in locating the file.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

Eastern District

CHARLES H. McKIBBEN
PROTHONOTARY
MAY C. REESE
DEPUTY PROTHONOTARY

PHILADELPHIA 7

November 19, 1956

Eric P. Newman, Esq.
Edison Brothers Stores Inc.
400 Washington Ave.
St. Louis 2, Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman:

This morning I received your letter of November 16, 1956, in which you stated that you found a certified copy of the judgment in the case of The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania v. William Trickett and Samuel Cryndal which indicated that the trial took place on September 23, 1783. In my letter of November 15, 1956, which apparently passed yours, I gave you all the available information which I had, and I trust that it was satisfactory.

Yours very truly,

Charles H. McKibben

PROTHONOTARY

CHM:pm

Pa law

Counterfeiting law of Pa
entitled
A Supplement to the Act entitled An Act
for the Advancement of Justice etc
passed Feb 21, 1767 still
in force in 1784
provided gold + silver coin counterfeiting
penalties — no copper.

Clindall must have violate the common
law on fraud.

The new Ctf law of 3/18/82 ~~repeated~~ etc
involved Bank of N.A. etc.

Hon^{l}. Sir

I humbly Beg to Acquaint his Excellency what I am confind for I was Tryd at the Supreem Court for making Conterfit money such as penneys & found Guilty & Sentenced by the Hon^{l}. Court to Stand one hour in the pillory & be Confind Three Months & pay a fine of Ten pounds to this Common Wealth & as I had just Returned from Sea & found Business Very Scarse I Entred into work with John Stanton Buckell maker & I being of the Same Trade but not knowing at the Same time what there was to Do but the time that I was at the house their was not more than Seven Dollars made & affter Stanton Run away I left the house & becase I would not Carry on with the Rest they went & Swore against me I hope his Excellency will be pleasd to take it into his Wise Consideration how your poor petitioner was brought into this Unhappy Affair.
He therefore Most humbly Begs leave to Aquaint his Excelly. of the poor Situation that your poor petitioner is in having a helpless Wife & family which is Reduced to the lowest Ebb of Distress & poverty Occationed by his long & Tedious Confinement upwards of Six months & having no friend to give him the least Nourishment of life quite Bare of Clothing & & Every Other Nessary for the Comforts of life by which your poor petitioner is Driving to the Greatest Distress he most humbly Begs that his Excellency will be Tenderly pleasd according to his accustomary Goodness & Charity to take into your Wise Consideration the Distressd Situation of his helpless family & Grant him Some way for his Diliverance So as he may help his family in the time of their Distress for which Singular Act of your Great Clemency your poor petitioner will as in Duty Bound Ever pray

William Trickett

Phila^{d}. New Goal March 5th, 1784

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(Reverse side of petition)
1784 March 8th) From William Trickett

His Excellency John Dickenson Esqr.

Read in Council 10th March 1784 and the fine due to the State remitted

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1784 March 8th } From William Trickett

His Excellency John Dickenson Esq.r

Read in Council 10th March 1784 - and present the fine due to the State remitted.

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
DIVISION OF PUBLIC RECORDS
HARRISBURG

Oct. 26, 1956

To the Honorable John Dickenson, Esquire
Governor of the City of Pennsylvania
The humble Petition of William Trickett,
now a Prisoner in the New Jail of this City.

Most humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner begs leave to inform you that he having been employed in the Continental Service at Sea, on board the Lady Washington armed Vessel until last April, in some short Time after was employed by Mr. John Stanton, late of this City, Brass Founder and agreeable to Articles engaged in between him and your Petitioner, was obliged to assist in filing such Work as said Stanton directed to be done; accordingly, some Time before said Stanton's departure from this City your Petitioner was prevailed on to file some counterfeit Coppers for what Purpose your Petitioner did not then apprehend any evil consequence; but has since been confined, brought to tryal and found guilty by law of a Crime, supposed on the Deposition of others; which, your Petitioner most Solemly declares he is innocent of, as to any Intent of passing or causing to be passed even one of said Counterfeits.

Your Petitioner therefore most humbly begs your Honor will please to take his case into Consideration, and that of a helpless Wife and Child, who at present are in the utmost Distress for want of his assistance and that your Honor will be pleased to mitigate his Punishment in such manner as to your Honor may seem mete; and your Petitioner as in Duty Bound will ever most sincerely pray.

Wm. Trickett

(Reverse side of petition)

To

The Honorable

John Dickinson, Esq.

Governor of the City

of Philadelphia

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PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
DIVISION OF PUBLIC RECORDS
HARRISBURG

Oct. 26, 1956

The Humble Petition of Samuel Cryndal
A Poor Unfortunate Prisoner in the Gaol
Of this City

Sheweth - that he Came about the middle of October 1782 with his Wife and three Children to the City of Philadelphia Entirely a Stranger wanting employment to support his helpless Family and withal disabled by a Misfortune, was Unable to Work at any Labourous Work and not being brought up to any Trade was greatly distressed when by accident he met with one Jno. Stanton the said Jno Stanton engaged him viz Cryndal to work with him at Making Brass Buckles at which Employment Cryndal for some time worked though at very low wages but with what little he Earned and his Wifes Industry he made out a living although a very Poor One Yet was contented Untill the News of Peace Arived that Trade then stopt with all others - for a long Time he had nothing to Subsist on only what Charitable well disposed People pleasd to give him, and was obliged to apply to the Overseers of the City for Wood to keep Himself and Family from Perishing with Cold - His necessity obliged him to bind his Eldest Child out, the very young - in this distressed Situation he met with Wm. Tricket who it appears is now in the same Prison, thee said Tricket told him he had Undertaken to Cast Work for the Coach Harness Makers - and that he Rented the House-Shop and Tools from Jno. Stanton and that thee said Stanton was going into the Country for fourteen days he informd him that had agreed to give Stanton's apprentices a Dollar a Day Each and to pay Stanton Thirty pound a year for the House - Shop and Tools - and if the said Cryndal would assist him in making the brass furniture for thee Coach Harness Makers - that he would give him ten shillings per day which proposal Cryndal agreed to but when Cryndal went to Work - Tricket shewed him a Pattern of making Coppers - or Pennys which it Appears by the Court they have been found Guilty off - And having received

Sentence for Punishment your Petitioner begs to be Pardond for Gods Sake upon Account of His Inocent Children who has a prospect of being brought up with good Principles - that they may not be reflected on with there Fathers Misfortunes We whose Names are join in thisPetition and beg that his Case may be taken into consideration that the Sentence for Punishment may be taken off - it is imposible for his Wife to maintain him in Goal - in her situation and aas the distress of the times was the real Cause of his Crime we hope Humanity will plead for him and His Family.

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(Reverse side of petition)

1783 October 8th	) Petition of Saml. Cryndal	The Humble Petition of Saml. Cryndal

read in Council and dismissed

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1789 October 8th } Petition of Sam.l Cryndal

read in Council and dismissed

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
DIVISION OF PUBLIC RECORDS
HARRISBURG

Oct. 26, 1956

COLONIAL RECORDS OF PENNSYLVANIA, Harrisburg, 1853, Vol. XIV, page 59: (Minutes of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania)

"The Council met.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, March 29th, 1784.

PRESENT:

His Excellency JOHN DICKINSON, Esquire, President

The Honorable James Ewing, Esquire, Vice President

The Honorable James Irvine, George Wall, junior, John McDowell, John Boyd, John Byers, and Stephen Balliot, Esq'rs.

Upon the petition of Samuel Clindal, convicted of counterfeiting of money of base and mixed metals, in likeness of genuine British half pence,

ORDERED, That the fine adjudged to be paid to the use of the State by the said Samuel Clindell, be remitted."

the name is
CRYNDAL ?
CRINDELL

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These are to certify that at a Court of Oyer & Terminer and General Gaol Delivery held at Philadelphia for the City and County of Philadelphia before The Honorable Thomas M'Kean Esquire, Doctor of Laws, Chief Justice, and his Associates Justices of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania the twenty third Day of September in the Year of our Lord one Thousand seven Hundred and Eighty three William Ticket and Samuel Crindell both late of the County of Philadelphia Brass-founders on the fifth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven Hundred and Eighty three at the City of Philadelphia in the County aforesaid, and within the Jurisdiction of this Court with force and arms &c Three Hundred pieces of false feigned and counterfeit money of certain base and mixed metals to the Jurors aforesaid unknown to the likeness and similitude of good true and genuine pieces of copper money called British half-pence (the same being current money in this State of Pennsylvania) then and there unlawfully, falsely and deceitfully did and each of them did forge counterfeit and coin with an intent the honest and liege subjects of this Commonwealth to cheat and defraud, to the evil example of all others in the like case offending and against the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania —

Whereupon It was considered by the said Justices that William Ticket and Samuel Crindell

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stand in on the Pillory next Wednesday between the hours of ten and twelve in the forenoon for one Hour severally pay a fine of ten pounds & be imprisoned for three months & pay Costs of Prosecution

Transcript from the Records &c

Jos. B. McKeary for

Edw. Bird Prot Sup Cur.

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